

MUCH BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR FARMERS

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Winnipeg.—A brighter future dawning for Manitoba farmers as the result of a change to new methods of farming, was seen by H. D. Colquhoun, assistant editor of the *Manitoba Farmer*, who addressed members of the Grange club.

After notice that Manitoba had produced a new type of farmer, different entirely from the farmers of Ontario and Quebec, who raised their crop increases in thousands, not hundreds, of bushels, and cultivated miles of land of a minimum size of 160 acres, Mr. Colquhoun said that the crash in the value of 1931 products had brought the province to the end of the pioneer stage, reached by Ontario in 1906 to 1909.

"Economic pressure now is forcing our farmers to a fundamental change of system in agriculture," said the speaker, "nevertheless have caused them not to depend as formerly on grain growing. There are now, weeds, the necessity of cultivating the land at a cost that is beyond the ability of grain to stand, loss of soil fertility, and inability to compete with the never failing lands of farther west."

Replying to his own question, Mr. Colquhoun said that the province and reestablish her property, can she meet the production of the world in the production of live stock and livestock products? Mr. Colquhoun declared that her farm-

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ers have a distinct advantage in possessing farm units of a size that is most economical for that type of farming, and in regard to quality of production that exceeds any in livestock, hog, and butter-making competitions showed that the change to the new method of farming will take place," he predicted. "We must give a generation of time for that. After the transition, a new type of farmer will have been produced who is likely to be as prosperous as any farmer in the world."

With British funds at 20 per cent below parity it seemed probable that the Canadian market would be flooded with a large volume of manufactured products from Great Britain. To meet them the Canadian government put a dumping duty into effect which gave the British manufacturer a considerable relative preference which existed when money conditions were more stable. Under the latest ruling the price of the pound for duty purposes is temporarily established at \$1.45, a 10 per cent dumping duty would have to be paid on every pound's worth of imports, in addition to regular

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The November monthly letter of the Royal Bank of Canada discusses the situation through Great Britain's abandonment of the gold standard and the effect upon Canadian finances and Canadian industry.

After Great Britain abandoned the gold standard there came a substantial Canadian demand for New York funds, and during the past month the premium on New York funds has risen from 10 to 14 per cent. Because of this situation it became necessary to suspend Canadian gold shipments, except under license, in the latter part of October. The extent to which Canadian funds are below gold parity has been checked in the United States and other gold standard countries, and tend to show that Canadian funds are so much undervalued at the present time.

Although the financial pressure upon Great Britain was relieved by the suspension of gold shipments and the stringency in the United States was offset by the establishment of a new corporation to re-discount frozen banking assets, there has as yet been only a mild improvement in sentiment as to business prospects. Hoarding seems to have been checked, the discussion between President Hoover and Premier Laval did not result in the abandonment of the gold standard, but the joint statement issued seemed to foreshadow increased efforts on the part of each government to improve world conditions. A revision of the Young plan and closer accord concerning the disarmament programme should serve to strengthen confidence.

Both of these measures are political, but definite assistance in either direction would have important economic consequences.

It is exceedingly difficult to determine the turning point in a business cycle. There were some indications that the market had reached its peak and begun to decline shortly after the middle of 1929. There were many other commodity prices which did not reach their high point until the latter months of 1929. The wholesale commodity price indices of the United States Bureau of Labor statistics peaked in June, 1929, but the real fall in security prices did not begin until the end of October. It is difficult to determine the moment at which the downward phase of the cycle is initiated. It is even more difficult to determine the time when improvement really sets in. In the past, improvement has been indicated by a change in sentiment. There is a reasonable amount of evidence to show that such a change of sentiment is now taking place.

Business decisions are apt to be optimistic more than they have had in recent months. While the several statistical indices which measure volume of business are still dropping, the rate of decline is not so great and the chance of sentiment mentioned is a factor of sufficient importance that its consequences should not be underestimated.

ELWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron of Nightingale were callers in the district on Sunday last.

School takes up at 9:30 now for the winter months instead of 9 a.m. as formerly.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tiede and Ole and his car for Idaho where they will visit for some time.

Halloran's member H. H. G. of the outlying here, some damage to one of the outbuildings at the school was the only report.

If Hanson killed a beautiful marked skunk on his farm last week, this is the first one the writer has actually seen in the district though we have known several of the two-legged variety.

COSSACK IS DRY

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I have had no winter killing; not even that seeded last July 10.

On May breaking and fall pastures by sheep, yet we had positively no more all winter. It started growth in February, owing to the mild weather, and then in March we had it as cold as 25 below zero.

Indifferent As To Soil

My farm presents a variety of soils, ranging from light sandy soil to heavy muskeg, but it seems to thrive equally well on all. This year I have even tried some on muskeg past. So far it is doing well. I have seeded on breaking because I had a lot of land broken that would have cost too much to clear. It was not even slashed, and I needed a crop that would not have to be exposed for a number of years, until all the stuff turned under would be rotten. Seeding on breaking lands there is grain in the crop, but it will keep cure it, and the hay is as good feed, but of course the commercial value is lowered.

June is the best time to seed, where heavy muskeg is, warm and moist. Warmth is as essential as moisture, and the speedier the germination the better. I will start the young plant gets of the weeds. A firm compact seed bed is necessary to keep the fall rain from the seedlings. Packing is all valuable before and after seeding, and, if soil is very light and hard, to leave again in the first fall is use a home made roller in default of a better.

Inoculate on New Land

Inoculation is most essential where sweet clover has not been grown before, and the inoculation is quite simple. Culture can be obtained from the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, free of charge. The experimental farms at Oshawa, Vermilion and others for 25 cents for 50 to 100 pounds and under. The latter stations send by return mail, Ottawa often takes longer. Directions come with bottles. To dump 50 pounds of seed with one pint of liquid seems impossible, but if the seed is placed in strong sheet and two people hold the corners and roll it around, every seed is damp in a very few minutes.

I find it pays to inoculate without a sowing drill and with the drill. The best method is to take the sowing drill and fill it with the seed and then mix six or seven pounds of seed after inoculation with half a bushel and sell the mixture in a bushel to the acre. Only a little should be put in the drill at a time, and it should be stirred frequently. It should be seeded about one and half inches deep. If more than two inches it will not germinate. That is why broadcasting and harrowing it not always satisfactory. The seed is often buried too deeply or left on the surface. A garden seed is in the ideal method as the seed is put in at a regular depth and no seed wasted. One inch in 12 inch rows—this does half an acre.

For those where seed drilling is a nuisance, I would suggest sowing in strips between the strips of grain when the latter reaches a fair height, and the following year seed the alternate strips. The seed is too expensive to risk losing away. Once started the plants are very firm rooted. Even prairie plants have a root nearly a foot long as I find when I weed them out of the garden. Strips of alfalfa at strategic points should provide an easy means of combating the pest drift menace.

Difficult Operation Made Easy

I cut for hay when half a bushel of seed is required. A whole delivery rate is the ideal method of curing, otherwise cut in small crows. For seed I leave until ripe. Here that is not until the middle of September. A seed crop so far north (Povungivik) in the north west of Edmonton is a race with frost and a big gamble. Had we the usual heavy frost around September 1, I shouldn't have had a pound of seed—lucky frost, held off till the fourth year, by which time the plants will have attained full growth and the weeds will be eliminated and a clean crop secured. Alfalfa will kill out all weeds, for

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Renovated Old Field

My old field was seeded seven years ago. I double seeded it this spring, the first cultivation it has received since it was seeded. It has certainly improved it and it looks good for many years yet. Plants seem to increase in size each year. The crowns are often nearly a foot across and well below the surface and from them spring a mass of fine leafy stems about three to four feet in length. The flowers are all yellow. I average about three tons of hay in the new and last year 200 pounds of seed I should try to get again this year. It is not yet produced in commercial quantities on still high price, but it does not come so much more expensive as only half the usual quantity of seed is required per acre (4 c.), or 15 to 20 pounds instead of 12 to 15.

I think I have answered all questions to the best of my ability. I do not set up to be an expert, am merely giving the results of my personal experience. The Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, can speak with greater authority than I, and is always ready with information.

To my mind Siberian Cossack is absolutely "it", but the fact that the strain is now growing in the north, north of 54th, since 1914 may have something to do with its personal hardness. W. E. Halloran, Alberta.

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MILLIONS FOUND IN RUSSIA BY INVESTIGATOR

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social conditions following the introduction of their living devices has always been necessary; but he believes it serious that the Soviet Government is making strenuous attempts to conceal the true situation.

Evidence that the Five-Year Plan is doomed to failure is seen by Dr. Roman in testimony he secured from American engineers working upon government projects in the socialist state. Several of these engineers that he interviewed were found to be convinced that the plan of industrialization was not succeeding, and one of these engineers was greatly impressed by the degree of unemployment he had observed in Russia. Dr. Roman's own opinion is that:

"It is impossible for the Five-Year Plan to succeed, and it is not succeeding at the present time in a manner that will make possible the realization of the original goal: the Russian people will not submit to another five-year period, or a 15 year period. Ninety per cent of the population is restless and dissatisfied."

A counter revolution is not likely, Dr. Roman replied when questioned regarding the probable outcome of the Soviet experiments if the success of the plan could not be assured, because the Government is already too well organized and powerful.

It is more probable, he believes that Stalin will declare himself a dictator and assume much the same role in Russian affairs as Mussolini occupies in those of Italy, eventually moving far to the right and adopting the methods of capitalism.

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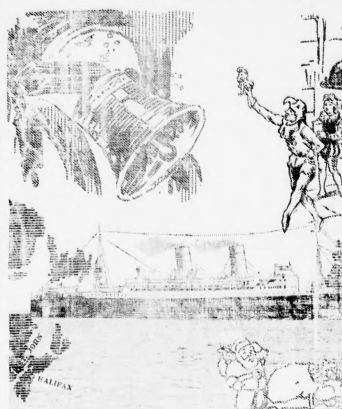
Atkinson: "At bridge, or in the moonlight?"

Eddie Collins: "Am I to understand that if I take this job I shall get a promotion in six months."

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Eddie: "But I know there was a catch somewhere."

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Accompanying them were Sister Grace Seale, Assoc. Grand Matron, Sister J. E. Day, Grand Matron, and Sister Berta Hymus, Grand Matron.

Rosebud Chapter was also pleased to welcome on this occasion a large number of visitors from both Chapter Drumheller and Standard Chapter, Standard and other.

After the usual inspection of the work exemplified, the Grand Matron gave a paper on "Friendship" which was enjoyed.

A beautiful floral display was put on, after which our Worthy Matron Sister Berta Hymus, on behalf of the officers and members of Rosebud Chapter, presented the Grand Matron with a silver flower vase.

A presentation was also made to Bro. G. S. Engstrom, I. P. U. who is leaving for B. C. very soon.

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which would yield another half-million pounds for the funds of the Unemployment Board.

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Mr. Croft stated there was a possibility of an increase in the wage tax amounting to from three per cent to five per cent on the production of the goods.

Another objection taken by Mr. St. Laurent in the proceedings was that the money had been provided by a legally disinterested party and the defence of male tenants under the common law had thereby been constituted.

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It is not so much that the Communists themselves have been wiped out, and that the British Treasury has been enriched by \$10,000 in forfeited Communist deposits. That amount is a mere drop in the ocean compared with Moscow's preparation to spend to attain her ends.

The discouraging feature to Moscow is that organized Socialism has been almost completely wiped out. Communism of course, to suppose to have no hope for Socialism. But just as Lenin and Trotsky succeeded and overthrew Kerezhko, so Moscow looked for a Socialist sweep as the first step toward a Red dictatorship.

In relation to a less serious matter, Bolshevism's chugra at the turn of affairs in British would be as comic as one of Kipling's bar-room tales. Fifty years ago the Russian bear was thinking of gobbling up India. Secret agents went to organize rebellion among the Irish regiments on the frontier. The Irishmen winked at each other, drank copiously at the agent's expense, went through all the usual preliminary to insurrection—then gave the agents a terrific beating and sent them home.

Moscow has never understood London—more especially since the Soviet revolution. "They refused to listen to me because I was a foreigner," said Lenin of British workmen.

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